

## DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name.

I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor, if only one name is listed below, or an original, first and joint inventor, if plural names are listed below, of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled **ELECTROCHROMIC REARVIEW MIRROR ASSEMBLY INCORPORATING A DISPLAY/SIGNAL LIGHT** the specification of which is attached hereto.

I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose to the United States Patent and Trademark Office (the Office), all information which is known by me to be material to patentability as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations (C.F.R.), Section 1.56.

## CLAIM OF PRIORITY

I hereby claim the benefit under 35 U.S.C. § 120, of any United States application(s), or § 365(c) of any PCT international application designating the United States of America, listed below and, insofar as the above-identified specification, including claims, discloses and claims subject matter in addition to that disclosed in the prior copending application(s), listed below, I acknowledge the duty to disclose to the Office, all information which is known by me to be material to patentability as defined in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, which became available between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of this application.

U.S. Serial No. 09/994,218, filed on November 26, 2001, now pending; which is a continuation of

U.S. Serial No. 09/311,955, filed on May 14, 1999, now U.S. Patent No. 6,356,376; which is a continuation-in-part of

U.S. Serial No. 09/206,788, filed on December 7, 1998, now pending, now U.S. Patent No. 6,166,848; which is a continuation-in-part of

U.S. Serial No. 09/197,400, filed on November 20, 1998, now pending, now U.S. Patent No. 6,111,684; which is a continuation-in-part of

U.S. Serial No. 09/114,386, filed on July 13, 1998, now pending, now U.S. Patent No. 6,064,508; which is a continuation of

U.S. Serial No. 08/832,587, filed on April 2, 1997, now U.S. Patent No. 5,818,625.

U.S. Serial No. 09/206,788 is also a continuation-in-part of U.S. Serial No. 09/175,984, filed on October 20, 1998, now U.S. Patent No. 6,111,683; which is a continuation-in-part of

U.S. Serial No. 08/831,808, filed on April 2, 1997, now U.S. Patent No. 5,825,527.

U.S. Serial No. 09/425,792, filed on October 22, 1999, now pending; which is a continuation-in-part of

U.S. Serial No. 09/311,955, filed on May 14, 1999, now U.S. Patent No. 6,356,376, which claims priority to

U.S. Provisional No. 60/124,493, filed on March 15, 1999.

U.S. Serial No. 09/918,213, filed on July 30, 2001, now pending; which is a continuation of

U.S. Serial No. 09/560,849, filed on April 28, 2000, now U.S. Patent No. 6,268,950; which is a continuation of

U.S. Serial No. 09/375,136, filed on August 16, 1999, now U.S. Patent No. 6,057,956; which is a continuation of

U.S. Serial No. 08/834,783, filed on April 2, 1997, now U.S. Patent No. 5,940,201,

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I hereby appoint the practitioners associated with the Customer Number provided below (*i.e.*, the practitioners associated with Gentex Corporation and the law firm of Price, Heneveld, Cooper, DeWitt & Litton) to prosecute this application and to transact all

business in the Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith. Please direct all correspondence to the address associated with that Customer Number.

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All statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true, and further, these statements are made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under 18 U.S.C. § 1001, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of this application or any patent issued thereon.

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INCORPORATING A DISPLAY/SIGNAL LIGHT

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Dear Sir:

AUTHORIZATION TO CHARGE DEPOSIT ACCOUNT

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of the following fees during the pendency of this application, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 16-2463.

- 1) Any filing fees required under 37 C.F.R. §1.16 for which full payment has not been tendered.
- 2) Any patent application processing fees under 37 C.F.R. §1.17 for which full payment has not been tendered.
- 3) Any assignment recording fee under 37 C.F.R. §1.21 for which payment has not been tendered.

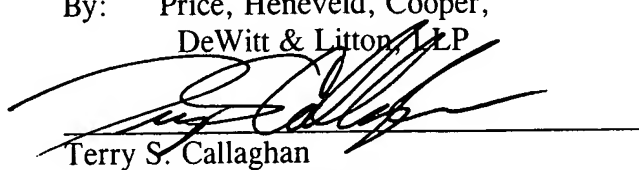
Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a)(3), the Commissioner is hereby authorized to treat any concurrent or future reply for this application that requires an extension of time as incorporating a request therefor. Any request or petition for an extension of time should be treated as requesting the appropriate length of time notwithstanding an inadvertent reference in the petition to a shorter period of time. A duplicate of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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